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Hogs & Pigs Inventory

Iowa: On September 1, there were 19.6 million hogs and pigs on Iowa farms, unchanged from June 2009, but down 200,000 from a year ago.

The June - August 2009 pig crop was 4.63 million head. A total of 475,000 sows farrowed with an average litter size of 9.75 pigs per sow.

As of September 1, producers planned to farrow 480,000 head of sows and gilts in the September - November 2009 quarter. Farrowing intentions for the December 2009 – February 2010 period were estimated at 480,000 as of September 1, 2009.

United States: U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2009 was 66.6 million head. This was down 2 percent from September 1, 2008, but up 1 percent from June 1, 2009.

Breeding inventory, at 5.87 million head, was down 3 percent from last year and down 2 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.8 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, but up 1 percent from last quarter.

The June-August 2009 pig crop, at 28.8 million head, was down 2 percent from 2008 and down 1 percent from 2007. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, down 4 percent from 2008 and down 5 percent from 2007. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 9.70 for the June-August 2009 period, compared to 9.51 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.40 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.80 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.94 million sows farrow during the September-November 2009 quarter, down 3 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2008 and down 8 percent from 2007. Intended farrowings for December 2009-February 2010, at 2.93 million sows, are down 3 percent from 2009 and down 5 percent from 2008.

The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 46 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 43 percent last year.

Hogs and Pigs: Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory By Selected States and United States, September 1, 2008-2009 $\,^1$

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	Breeding				Market		Total					
State	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08			
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent			
IL	470	470	100	3,930	3,780	96	4,400	4,250	97			
IA	1,070	1,010	94	18,730	18,590	99	19,800	19,600	99			
MN	570	560	98	7,030	6,740	96	7,600	7,300	96			
MO	375	350	93	2,775	2,700	97	3,150	3,050	97			
NE	375	380	101	2,925	2,970	102	3,300	3,350	102			
NC	1,000	980	98	9,300	9,020	97	10,300	10,000	97			
US	6,061	5,874	97	62,135	60,752	98	68,196	66,626	98			

¹ May not add due to rounding.

Market Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Weight Group, Selected States, and United States, September 1, 2008-2009 ¹

State	Under 60 lbs.		60-119	9 lbs.	120-17	79 lbs.	180 lbs. and over				
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009			
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head			
IL	1,420	1,400	1,010	970	840	770	660	640			
IA	5,620	5,330	5,170	5,250	4,460	4,600	3,480	3,410			
MN	2,820	2,660	1,820	1,770	1,400	1,280	990	1,030			
MO	1,350	1,265	565	520	495	470	365	445			
NE	1,090	1,100	780	770	610	650	445	450			
NC	3,700	3,520	2,050	2,070	1,860	1,790	1,690	1,640			
US	22,683	21,837	15,397	15,078	12,855	12,674	11,201	11,163			

¹ Weight groups may not add to Market Hogs & Pigs due to rounding.